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SUBJ: PROPOSED MEETING WITH SADIQ EL MAHDI

LONDON FOR POL-ROY HAVERKAMP

REF: A. DAKAR 6736

B. KHARTOUM 2758

C. STATE 270948

1. FADIL EL MAHDI PAID FAREWELL CALL ON DCM MAR 5.
EL MAHDI IS LEAVING DAKAR MAR 7 TO TAKE SIX WEEKS
VACATION IN EUROPE AND THEN RETURN TO KHARTOUM WHERE
HE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH UNITED FISHERIES OF
KUWAIT.

2. WHEN EL MAHDI ASKED ABOUT RESULTS OF HIS
COUSIN SADIQ EL MAHDI'S OVERTURE (REF A) FOR MEETING
WITH USG OFFICIALS, DCM TOLD HIM THAT EMBASSY HAD BEEN
INSTRUCTED TO GIVE NO ENCOURAGEMENT THAT SUCH CONTACTS
COULD BE ARRANGED. FADIL COMMENTED HE COULD UNDERSTAND
THAT SAUDI ARABIA WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN AN APPROPRIATE
PLACE FOR ANY SUCH MEETING.

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3. FADIL SAID THAT SADIQ WAS NOW LIVING IN LONDON AND

FADIL WOULD BE JOINING HIS COUSIN THERE FOR SEVERAL WEEKS BEGINNING ABOUT LAST WEEK OF MARCH. FADIL CLAIMS TO BE ON FRIENDLY TERMS WITH FSO ROY HAVERKAMP WHOM HE MET IN CONAKRY AND ALSO IN DAKAR. SAID HE PROPOSED GETTING IN TOUCH WITH HAVERKAMP IN LONDON IN LATE MARCH. PROVIDING THERE IS NO OVERRIDING OBJECTION FROM USG AND/OR HAVERKAMP, FADIL SAID HE WOULD TRY TO ARRANGE DISCREET MEETING FOR THREE WHERE SADIQ COULD "GIVE USG USEFUL INFORMATION."

4. DCM SAID THAT IN VIEW OF DEPT'S NEGATIVE REACTION TO PROPOSAL FOR MEETING DURING HAJ, WE COULD NOT BE ENCOURAGING ABOUT POSSIBILITY FOR LONDON MEETING. HE SAID EMBASSY WOULD REPORT THIS MARCH 5 CONVERSATION FOR INFORMATION BOTH TO USG AND TO OUR EMBASSY IN LONDON. AT FADIL'S REQUEST, DCM GAVE HIM TELEPHONE NRS OF EMBASSY IN LONDON.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT PLEASE PASS REFTELS TO LONDON FOR HAVERKAMP.
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